





INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Welcome to Kenya!

RECEPTION ON ARRIVAL

Delegates will be picked up by **Go4fun Safaris** from **Jomo Kenyatta International Airport** to **the Grand Regency Hotel**, located at the

Nairobi City Centre. Please look out for signboard **Go4fun Safaris** or **IUCN Academy** on arrival. We have negotiated for your fare at US\$10 only each way.

To ensure that transport arrangement is definitely made to pick you up from the airport, make sure you send to Winnie Mbeche on charlesokidi@yahoo.com copied to Ms. Catherine Wamae on info@go4funsafaris.com confirmation of your flight itinerary, as soon as possible, if you have not yet done so. In case of difficulty, go to the **Grand Regency Office** at the international arrivals terminal and they will arrange for your transfer, at their rates.

WELCOME DESK

A Welcome Desk/Station will be set up at the exit hallway, manned by University of Nairobi Representatives and Go4fun Safaris.

University of Nairobi is your host through Prof Mohamed Jama, who will be responsible for coordinating the transfers from the airport, and Go4fun Safaris through Catherine Wamae will be responsible for your transfers to and from the hotel, as well as organize discretionary and private excursions, safaris, shopping, dinners, car hire etc. We highly recommend you look at their website www.go4funsafaris.com or send them an email through info@go4funsafaris.com and communicate with them in advance to avoid last minute rush and rescheduling.

Cost of transfers will be paid on arrival in US\$ 10 or Ksh 800 and each paying delegate will be given an arrival and departure voucher, which will be used for boarding.

Grand Regency Hotel will be your accommodation from 4–7 October 2004, unless you are staying on for the Collegium. The following general information is to assist your preparations for travel and stay in Kenya. Their full address is:

Grand Regency Hotel

P. O. Box 57549 Nairobi, Kenya Tel: 254 20 211199 Fax: 254 20 217120

 $\textbf{Email:} \texttt{gregency} @ \texttt{africa} on line.co. \texttt{ke} \ \textbf{or} \ \texttt{mka} \\ \texttt{nario} @ \texttt{grandregency}.co. \texttt{ke} \\$

Website: www.grandregency.co.ke

COLLOQUIUM VENUE

The venue of the Symposium is at the **Grand Regency Hotel** in Nairobi where all the participants will also stay and are being booked as they register. It is located between Loita Street and Uhuru Highway in Nairobi's central business district.







HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is reserved for all Colloquium delegates is confirmed upon registration. Room Registration Forms should be filled out and sent to Grand Regency Hotel, Nairobi through rbikhu@grandregency.co.ke, marlanjoroge@grandregency.co.ke or mkanario@grandregency.co.ke

PERDIEM

For UNEP sponsored participants, registered to attend the Colloquium DSA will be paid by IUCN and UNEP at their rate for Nairobi. Please note that the UNON Fund Management Office will need copies of your **passport and air ticket** for the clearance of DSA paid.

COMMUNICATIONS

Participants will be responsible for making and clearing their bills for the cost of telephone/fax communications, mini-bar, beverages, laundry, internet access, etc., expended at the hotel.

REGISTRATION

Registration is being done online through Katerina Sarafidou on email: Katerina.sarafidou@iucn.org. Please check the website: www.iucn.or/themes/law.

TICKETS

Kenya Airways will consider offering discounts of between 10-15% on tickets to participants attending the Colloquim. Enquire at their nearest office or your travel agent.

VISA

Participants will be responsible for their own visa arrangements. Therefore, the earlier you commence the process the better. Please lodge your visa application with the nearest Kenya Embassy, High Commission or Consulate. In addition, it is advisable to take a personal health insurance, which, of course, we hope will not be needed.

IMMIGRATION

The following are nationals of countries, classes and categories of persons who require referred visas:

- a) Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Cameroon, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, North Korea, Nigeria (residing outside Nigeria), Oman, Pakistan (except bonafide businessmen recommended by chamber of commerce of Pakistan and resident in Pakistan), Senegal, Sudan, Somali, Syria, Tadjikistan and Yemen.
- b) Nationals of the following countries who are holders of **Diplomatic** and **Official Civil Servants** with "**Ordre de Mission**" can be issued with visas on application (Cameroon, Nigeria, Senegal and Yemen).
- c) Applicants against whom there is some local objections or doubt in the country where the application is made.
- d) Stateless person or persons not holding valid passports or other travel documents issued by their own country of nationality, including recognized refugee holders of the United Nations Refugee Travel Documents.
- e) Prohibited immigrants as enumerated in Chapter 1, paragraph 'E' of the Visa Regulations.



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AT YOUR SERVICE

Officials from the Colloquium Secretariat will be with you throughout the Colloquium to assist you when in need, so long as you remain with the group.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Participants may bring with them foreign currency in the form of US Dollars or Pounds Sterling, Notes, Drafts, Traveller's Cheques, Letters of Credit or other banking instruments which may be exchanged for Kenya shillings at the prevailing bank rates. The present exchange rates are approximately as follows:

1.00 US \$ = KShs. 80.00 1.0 £ Stg = KShs.147.00

BANKING HOURS

Banks in Nairobi are generally open Monday to Friday from 9 am till 3 pm and from 9 am to 11 am on Saturday. Some of the banks at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport are open daily 24 hours.

WEATHER

The average daily temperature in Nairobi during this time of the year ranges from 20°C to 27°C. At times the weather changes abruptly to being chilly so it is advisable to carry a warm coat.

VACCINATIONS

Check that your polio and tetanus boosters are up to date. You will require vaccinations against typhoid and hepatitis A. Yellow fever and cholera vaccinations are advisable, but obligatory only if you enter from an infected area.

HEALTH PRECAUTIONS

Malaria is still a problem all over the country. **Nairobi is officially malaria-free**, but do not run unnecessary risks; take one of the several reliable prophylactics for two weeks before you arrive in Kenya, all the time you are in the country, and for four to six weeks after you return home, especially if you intend to travel in Kenya or other countries in the region.

DOCTORS

There are highly qualified doctors, surgeons and dentists, in Kenya. There will be a Hotel doctor on call on 24-hour basis.

PROVISIONAL LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

The provisional list of participants will be attached at the beginning of the Colloquium. Review full address details and in case of amendments, submit them to the Secretariat.

GENERAL

Information on pre and post conference excursions, safaris, shopping, dinner options/bookings, impromptu transportation, ticket verification/alteration requests will be provided on arrival by **Go4fun Safaris**. They will keep delegates informed of available options, through the **Welcome Desk** at the airport and the **Secretariat Desk** at **Grand Regency Hotel**. They will also assist with ticket verification/alteration and any other necessities like shopping and enlightening on Kenya's attractions.



DEPARTURE PROCEDURES

Delegates should ensure that they communicate in case of any change(s) so as to avoid unscheduled pick-ups and delays. Besides the arrival and departure costs other transportation costs will be billed directly and can be paid in Kshs or US\$.

There will be a Secretariat at the Hotel as well with the same representatives from **Go4fun Safaris** and **University of Nairobi**. Delegates will be required to inform and confirm with the Secretariat at the Hotel their departure details, at least a day prior to their departure.

NOTE: International flights require 2 hours check in time

Delegates are advised to retain the departure voucher, which **Go4fun Safaris** will check against their list upon departure. They will use the voucher system for boarding and ushering.

Your general contact persons are:

Prof. Charles Okidi or Dr Patricia Kameri-Mbote

University of Nairobi

Email: charlesokidi@yahoo.com and pkameri-mbote@ielrc.org

Catherine Wamae and Andrew Nderu (for your excursions and safaris)

Go4fun Safaris

Tel: 254 722 527407

Email:info@go4funsafaris.com

We look forward to welcoming you to Nairobi!

Bon Voyage!

Organisers



